

**REMARKS**

**Status of the Claims**

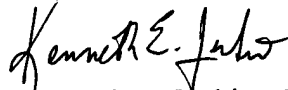
Claims 1-31 are now listed and were canceled in an Amendment dated October 3, 2001. Claims 32-62 are pending in the present application. Claims 32-49 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, for allegedly containing new matter.

**CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

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